system of NHs. The terms of reference of the Committee inter-alia include the objective of evolving a rational method of re-numbering the NHs reflecting the connectivity preferably in alphanumeric form, duly considering the direction of NHs.

(e) and (f) For managing Public Private Partnership (PPP) projects, the Government has approved creation of an additional post of Member (PPP) in the National Highways Authority of India (NHAI) for enabling effective implementation of NH projects on PPP mode.

DPR for NH-14 in Rajasthan

†1986. DR. PRABHA THAKUR: Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether DPR of Kishangarh-Ajmer- Byavar road (NH-8) has been prepared by the National Highways Authority of India (NHAI);

(b) whether tender has not been invited for Byavar-Pali-Sirohi-Pidwada road (NH-14);

(c) by when this tender would be invited; and

(d) the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI K.H. MUNIAPPA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) No, Sir. Tenders for Beawar-Pali-Pindwara road (NH-14) have been invited for widening to 4-lane.

(c) and (d) Approval of the Public Private Partnership Appraisal Committee (PPPAC) for Kishangarh-Ajmer-Beawar road (NH-8) has been obtained. The process for prequalification and shortlisting of bidders has been completed for inviting financial bids by March, 2009. For Beawar-Pali-Sirohi-Pindwara road (NH-14), the preparation of feasibility report has been undertaken.

World Bank assistance for NH projects

1987. MS. SUSHILA TIRIYA: Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that World Bank is seriously considering to suspend the disbursement of funds for National Highway projects in the country;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether it is a fact that Government has failed to address safety concerns on these projects; and

(d) if so, the reasons therefor?

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†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.